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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated March 23, 2006, now due to expire June 23, 2006, be extended for three months and set to expire on September 23, 2006.

Please charge the extension fee of \$510.00 to Deposit Account No. 502624. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502624.

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